S REFLECTIONS.

istletoe-Origin of Giving.

mas to our lity every stockuspended from Christmas Eve norn of plenty.

To not write it Xmas or yule-Call it Christmas is the advice of the San Antonio Ex-

Many pretty things will doubtless be found in stockings on Christmas morning.

At any rate this incessant and slush will render the Christmas discharge of side arms and fireworks at the hands of the small boy a great deal less hazardous to property.

The shopping season is always disagreeable. Many a man has had to carry a bundle home for his wife this week.

Ide top, imitation up at \$3.98.

Lot 6860z, Drew, Selby & Co's Ladies \$5.00 French kid, Vesting top.

Chocolate Lace Shoe, with Brown Pat. Leather Tip, all sizes and widths at

By all means let the various philanthropic organizations of the city undertake, with the true charity that has characterized them on former occasions, to see that all the poor and friendless in the city, who otherwise might go hungry, shall have a nice Christmas dinner.

Though we don't know just when the mistletoe first began to play an important role at our Christmas festivals, the first step now for the proper celebration of Ladies Dongola Button Shoes, our this happy event is to make the house gay with their white, flaxen berries and glossy green leaves. There are in these ultra refined and exclusive days, cer- Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, Patent tain persons, who object to the hanging of wreaths and stars in the windows, alleging that the Ladies India Kid Button Shoes, \$1.00 decorations are for those within and not for those without. But is not this a season of the year when all good folk want even the casual passerby to catch some hint of the merriment within doors, and the little green wreaths with their sparkling MENS' SHOE DEPART berries, are a sign that says to the world, "Here dwells a happy Men's Satin calf dress shoes in plain family that wishes you wherever you may be, a merry Christ-

Of course you need not be told of the origin of presenting gifts at this season of the year. The three wise men who followed the Mauss Shoe Co's Calf Skin, Coin Toe, star until it remained stationary over the stable in Bethlehem. and who, entering the hovel wherein were the cow and the ass, knelt down before the beauti ful Babe in the manger, placed before him presents of myrrh, frankincense and gold. Their example is the example that you follow today, 1,897 years after the Magi made obeisance to the Child Jesus, and when you place presents before the little ones who are made in the image of the Divine Babe you are doing 3 Cases Men's Grain Creedmore, one Buckle Plow shoes, all solid what was done by the eastern kings, but remember that to carry out their example to the Buckle, work shoes, all solid full the babes in the mangers, the little ones in hovels, must not be forgotten.

Most of our Christmas customs come from the German. Kris Kringle is a legendary myth whose origin is involved in much doubt. Formerly in the small villages of Germany the presents made by all the parents were sent to some one person, who, in high buskins, a white robe, a mask and an enormous flax wig, and known as Knecht Rupert, went from house to house. He was received by the parents with great reverence, and, calling, for the children, presented the gifts to them according to the accounts of their conduct received from the parents. It appears as highly probable that this custom gave rise to our present innumerable legends about Santa Claus.

Grand Cut Price Sale this month, with paralyzing prices on all classes of Merchandise. Prices cut down on all goods to a level of 4 1-2 and 5c Cotton. Call and see us we have the goods and we have the right prices.

# LADIES' SHOE DEPART- 36 pair Boys Green Russia Call Sals.

Our shoe department is complete, filled with the best makes, unsurpassed in style, unequalled in comfort and durability. We have Drew, Selby & Co's Ladies Fine Shoes, The Star Shoe Co's Misses and Children's Fine Shoes and Mauss & Co's Men's Shoes, Excelsior Shoe Co's Boy's and Youth's Fine Shoes-in all the latest toes and newest colors. It requires an downpour and interminable mud artist to build such footwear as we are showing this season. Each and every pair of above makes guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Lot 3048, Drew, Selby & Co's Ladies, \$5 oo French Kid Lace Shees, Royal Purple in the correct shade Fall season-all sizes and ing top, imitation tip at \$3.98.

widths at ..... Celluloid Eyelets in the above shoes. Lot 68876, Drew, Selby & Co's Ladies \$4.00 Green lace Shoe, black Vesting top, all sizes and widths

Light and heavy soles; lo styles

1.00

and Lace, sizes 6 to 11; value 

Calf Skin, \$4.50 value at .......... Mauss Shoe Co's Ox Blood Knob 

We have the most complete lot of Shoo ver shown in Brenham. 88 pairs Men's Kip Lace work Shoes

£6 pairs Old Gents' Comforts, broad Too and low heel; size 6 to 10, worth \$1.25, at ..... 8 cases Men's Kip One Buckle work Shoes, all solid leather, size 6 to 11, worth \$1.25, at ...... \$1.00 3 Cases Men's Oil Grain and Buckle Plow Shoes; size 5 to 10; worth

\$1.25, at ..... \$1.00 3 Cases Oil Grain Creole Congress Shoes, guaranteed all solid leather, size 6 to 11, worth \$1.50, at..... \$1.25 leather, size 6 to 11, worth \$1.50,

leather, size 3 to 5, worth 1.25, at 2 Cases Boys Oil Grain Creole Con-gress Shows, extra quality, size 8 to 5, sold elsewhere at 1.50; our 2 Cases Boys Veal Calf Lace Shees,

extra quality, all soliid Leather, size 3 to 5, worth 1,25 at..... solid leather, size 2½ to 4½, worth 1.50 at 3 Cases Boys Satin Calf Congress and Bala Coin Toe, all solid leather,

value 2.00 at..... Cases Boys Satin Calf Congress Shoes, made by Excelsior Shoe Co. Extra quality, every pair warran-ted give satisfaction, worth 2,50 2 Cases Boys Colt Skin Bals, Coin Toe extra good quality, made by ex-celsior Shoe Co., worth 2,50 at 2.co

Shoes, Coin Toes, extra quality and extra fine, every pair warren-ted to give satisfaction. Made by Excelsor Shoe Co., worth 3.00 Pair Boys Wine Colored Vice Kid

Patent tip, Bals. Coin Toe, made by Excelsior Shoe Co., every pair warranted to give satisfaction. Size 8 to 514, worth 3 50 at...... Ladie's India Kid. Op. toe, patent tip, button shoes; size 3 to 8, value 0ld Ladie's Dongola Comforts, size 4 to 9; value I.25; our price..... Old Ladie's Glove Grain Comforts,

size 4 to 8; 1.25 value; our price.. 1.00 Children's Department.

Child's Glove Grain heel, or spring heel button shoes, size 5 to 8, shoes size 5 to 8; value 1.00, our price..... Child's Pebble Grain, solar tip, spring child's Calf, patent tip, lace shoes, sizes 7 to 11; value 1.00, our price Child's Calf, patent tip, lace shoes, sizes 7 to 11; value 1.00, our price Child's Pebble Grain, solar tip, climax back, spring heel button shoes, sizes 12 to 2 value 1.25, our price

sizes 13 to 2; value 1.25, our price Child's Pebble Grain, patent tip, sp'g heel, button shoes, sizes 13 to 2; 

our price .... Child's Dongola, patent tip, square and coin toes, value 1.35; our price... just received a full line of Men's calf and kip boots, ranging in price from 150 to 3.50. These goods we have marked fully 20 per cent

under their real value.

If you need a good full stock mud boot we have them at 1.50, 1.75 ann 1.98; worth 50 per cent more than we ask.

### GENTS' FURNISHING.

Gents' Laundered Neglagee Shirts, and Percales Laundered Negligee Shirts, retail value 1 25, at........ Gents' Work Shirts, good quality, Gents' Extra Heavy Colored Drill Work Shirts, best made, value 60, at Gents' Extra quality Brown Drill
Drawers, value 25, at
Gents' Extra Quality Brown Drill
Challenge Drawers, double seat,
yalue 50, at
Gents' Extra Quality Bleached Drill
Challenge Drawers, but made and value I dol. at...... Genta' Extra quality Full Seamless two-thread French Lisle fast black black Socks 12 1-2 value, at.

Gents extra quality faucy Socks in tans and reds, Full Seamless Four Thread French Lisle, value 20 at 12 1-2 ents extra quality 40 guare double sole, extra high, spliced beel, Hermsdorf dye, full regular made Gents heavy web, Harris wire buckle and grip back, heavy corded ends, Our line of summer neckwear is still

going at slaughtering prices.
Undershirts, knit, value 20, at . . . . 12 1-2
Extra good undershirts, value 25, at . . . 20 Extra fine gray balbriggan undersblits, 25, at ........ Heavy gray mixed undershirts worth matca in grays only, real value 75c each, or 1.50 a suit, at 1.00 suit, or

Gent's white all wool undershirts; real in white na ural wool and campbel hair; real value is 2.50 a suit; your under-suits, regular price 2 50 suit Gent's extra heavy and extra quality, all wool, in blue, regular price heavy shirts, satin front, regular

### GENT'S GLOVES.

price I.25 at ..... .....

Gent's goat skin gloves worth 40c at .. 2.00 Gent's all tan and California goat gloves; value 65c, at... Gent's black for top dog skin gloves, value 75c at...

Gent's California Goat Gloves, extra quality, value 1.00, at .... Gent's unlined Kid Gloves, extra let gloves, extra heavy and guaranteed to wear, value, 1.25, at.... Gent's Buck Gauntiet Gloves, extra quality, every pair warranted to be as represented, or money returned; real value is 2.00, at....

## GENT'S CLOTHING ....

-> Big Cuts this Month. Immense bargains for this month from our enormous purchase, which enables us to place the goods st retail at a lower price than the retailer pays for his.

All wool Gent's Cheviots Sack Sui's, either in brown, gray and dark tan, the real value is \$7.50, at..... Gent's all wool, brown and blue mixed Cass'mier sack suits, real check sack suits, real value is 8.50 at Gent's all wool Cheviot and Scotch Cassimer, sack suits, either in brown check, black and green mixed, or large plaids, sack suits. Sold else-suits, in gray and brown serge, brown cheviots, brown mixed cheviots, plaid Cassimier, striped Cassimer, black double breasted melton Cheviots and black clay Worsteds; real value of these is Gent's all wool sack suits extra quality, fine tailor made in small plaid and checks, and black, clay Worsted suits, sold elsewhere, at 15.00

and 16.50; your choice at .. Youth's Suits.

75 All wool Youth's 3 piece sack suits in black and white check, value 5.00 Youth's all wool 3 peiced sack suits, either in gray mixed or brown mixed, real value is 6.00, at..... 

BOY'S TWO-PIECED SUITS 40 Boy's wool mixed 2 pieced suits in gray and gray and brown pinids and brown checks; a bargain at 1.00, gray stripes, extra quality; real value is 4.50 at ..... Boy's all woot, extra quality Eton suits in light and dark grays, real 

and correct prices. Gent's and Boy's Overcoats-

BIG CUTS.

pants, size 4 to 16, assorted colors

gain at 4-50, for ..... 3.60 and 2.50 loso pair, Job lot of all wool knee

Gent's brown striped overcoats, extra heavy and storm collar; regular price, 500 at .... Gent's Blue Gray mixed extra quality coat, medium weight, real value 8.50 Gent's extra fine mutton Beaver over-coats, lined throughout with Skinner's satin lining; real value is 15.00 at..... Big line boys all wool overcoats in brown, gray, blue black and checks at extra LOW PRICES.

Big Drive in Gent's Mackintoshes, DON'T FAIL TO ASK to see them.

Gent's Pants-

1.00 One lot gent's wool mixed pants, in Brown and navy blue, real value 1.00 brown stripe; real value 2.00, at...... One lot Gent's Cassimere panus in One lot Gent's all wool in dark brown, gray and dark plaids, a bargain at Cassimere Panta, in blown, black, corded, fancy stripe and mixed stripe, at....3 98, 3.50, 3.00, 2.50 and 2.4

Gent's and Boy's Hats-BIG DRIVES-

and black, value 75c at .....

Boy's black wool hats, value 65c, at toe DRESS GOODS D.FPART-

Gent's black wool hats, value 75c at...
75 Gent's black wool hats, value 1.25 a Gent's Cluster Hats in gray and 

Gent's wide, streight brim and high crown fur felt hat; real value 2.50 in black and white, assorted styles worth 5.00 at .....

Lo 'ies' Derby ribbed fleeced lined, long sleeves vests, xalue 35c, at.... Ladies' Derby Ribbed fleeced lined full regular shaped arm hole 40c kind at.....Ladies' half bleached fleeced lined, 

kind, at...
Misses Derby Ribbed vests, half
bleached, 35c kind, at...
Misses Derby ribbed vest, 2oc kind, at

LADIES' SHAWLS. Ladies' fancy plaid shawls, full size, 55c kind, at.
Ladies' fancy plaid shawls, full size,
1.25 kind, at.
Ladies' fancy all wool shawels, full
size, 1.50 kind, at
Ladies' Cashmere shawls, full size, Ladies' Cashmere shawls, full size, 2.52 Ladies' Cashmere shawls, full size, 2.52 kind, at 1.75. Ladies' Cashmere shawls, extra size, 2.98

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at 2.00.
Ladies' Cashmere shawls, 72x72, extra
quality, 3.00 kind at 2.25.
Ladies' Cashmere shawls, extra quality and
large 3 50 kind at 2.50.
Ladies' Cashmere, double width, extra heavy
real value, is 5.00 to 6.00, at 4.50, 3.50,
3.00 and 2.98.

Appron Check Ginghams.
Dress Etyle Ginghams.
Figured Oil Red Calico.
36 inch Sea Island Ootton.
Round Thread Cotton Plaids.
Value 5c a yard.

Special Offer.

ity, were marked to sell at six dollars, now four dollars and fifty cents.

Ladies black, all wool, double capes, nicely trimmed with braid, value one fifty,

ninety-eight cents.

BLANKETS .- Big Drive. DON'T SLEEP COLD WHEN

You can buy a 11-4 White Blanket with red and blue borders; real 1.75. at ... 10-4 White Blankets, extra heavy and good quality; value is 2 00, at...... lo 4 White wool blankets, extra heavy and goo quality. A bagain at 2.50 10-4 White all wool blankets with

heavy; real value is 4.50, at.

12-4 White all wool blankets, extra fine quality and heavy, with fancy borders, worth 6.00 at.

10-4 Brown, gray and blue mixed blankets; extra quality at 2.50, 1.98, 1.50, 1.25 and 

lo-4 White Blankets, value 89, at 5oc. Extra quality, bed comfort, worth 90c at 50c Extra quality and value Bed Comforts, value 1.25, at 75c.

TRUNKS.

24, 28, 28 inch trunk, barrel top, zinc Covered and Iron bottom, at 1.50, 1.75 and 1.98. 30: 32, 34 inch trunk, barrel top, zinc covered, at 2.25, 2.50 and 2.75.

Gnet's Hand Bags-Big line Gent's hand bags at 45c to 75c,

according to size. Gent's Telescopes large assertment.

# MENT.

Double width brocades, 15c kind at 10c.
Fancy basket plaids 15c kind, at 10c.
36 inch fancy brocades and changeable effect, 20c kind at 15 1-2c.
Colored serges, wool filling, Iz 1-2c kind to 10c.

ta 10c.

Double width black brocades 20c kind, at 12 1-20.
All wool 36 and 28 inch fancy cheviot snowflake mixtures, none worth less than 50c

choice per yard 20.

36 inch wool Serge cloth in green, brown, garret and navy blue worth 35 cents at 26.

36-inch wool Henrietta in staple shdes, as red, navy, brown, light and dark graay and tan, worth 35 at 20.

Forth-the inches call staple sheet.

Ladies' and Misses Knit Forty-two inches, all wool extra fine and silk finish, light, tan, light and dark gray, brown, garnet, green, Henrietta, 65-cent kind at 45 cents. For.y-two inch pearl gray, extra quality and silk finish Henrietta, 90-cunt kind at 55 cents.

Navy blue and black, all wool serge, ex-tra quality, fine frill, 50 inches wide, worth

tra quanty, fine trill, 50 inches wide, worth
75 cents, at 50.

Black, brocaded, brulintin, alk idont, 44
inches wide, extra quality, 75-cent kind at 50.

All wool albastors in pearl, white, cream,
pink, light blue and tan, 40 inches wide,
extra quality worth 50 to 65 cents per yard,
at 35 and 45.

Forty-four inches, all wool and silk mixtures of black novelties; extra fine quality,
worth from one dollar to one twenty-five a
yard going at 50 and 75 cents.

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Fifty inches wide, all wool suiting, assorted colors, 65-cent kind, now 39 cents.

Forty-two inches, all wpol suiting, assorted colors 50 cent kind, at 30 cents.

Pifty-four inches wide, extra quality broadcloth in navy blue, green, gray and black 1.25 kind, at 76 cents.

Our entire stock of dress goods and trimmings of all kinds, from the cheapest to the higeest grades have been reduced from 20 to 30 per cent for this month.

### STAPLE DEPARTMENT.

AT 25C

ight cears.

Ladies light tan, all wool, extra fine qual
Thorndyke Mattress Ticking, worth for 

Ladies black, all wool, double capes, sicely trimmed with braid, value one fifty, now going at 98 cents.

Ladies all wool beaver capes, trimmed all around in beads and braid and large fur collar, value three dollars, now going at two.

Ladies extra heavy black chinchilla box plaid full suit, extra quality, value three fifty, now going at two-fifty.

Ladies fine black silk plush capes, trimmed all around with beeds and braid, collar and front Angora trimmed, original price five dollars, now going at two dollars and ninety-eight cents.

Extra quality Southern Silk Chevict. 8 1-3e Extra quality Figured Duck for blurging in grand in grand

Extra heavy Cottes Ades, worth 18

Extra quality Jean Extra quality Wool worth 35c, at Extra quality Wool Jeans, best ma 9 1-4 Browne Sheetin 9 1-4 Bleached Sheeti

All Wool White Flannels a Good quality brown cotton I 8 or, extra heavy brown at 7 1-2c.

1.98 8 oz. extra heavy bleached cot at 83. 2.50 Ready made sheets at 85c.
Ready made sheets, extra size at 45c.
Ready made Pillow cases at 12 1-2 and 10c.

> Extra quality Dress Style Ginghams. Outling Flannel. White Namicok, Round Thread Cotton Plaids.

> Mattress Tickking.
> Figured Dress Style Prints.
> Apron Check Ginghams.
> Curtain Robe Prints. None worth less than 7½ or 8c.

AT 5C

86 inch Bleached Domestie. 36 inch Extra quality sea Island Cotton.
Extra Quality Sound Thread Plaids
Outing Flannel.
Good Mauress Ticking. Extra quality, round thread cheeks Fast Colored Dress l'rints. Fast Colored Shirting Prints, None better sold elsewhere. at 6c or 7 1 2c a yard.

AT 31/20

# Mistrot Bros & Co.

ONE PRICE TO ALL 30c

MISTROT BROS &